

MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Description of proposal: Pappy Sorts Timber Sale, Agreement No. 30-085358 and Forest Practices Application No. 2920729. This is a variable retention harvest of 125 acres in 5 units, and one R/W unit less than one acre, with 3,489 feet of road construction, 19,678 feet of pre-haul maintenance, and 361 feet of reconstruction.

Description of mitigation: The following mitigation measures will be implemented with this proposal:

- Riparian Management Zones (RMZ) averaging 192 feet wide on type 3 stream adjacent to Unit 1, averaging 186 feet wide on the type 3 streams and Mima Creek, a type 2 stream, adjacent to Unit 5, averaging 154 along type three streams adjacent to Units 2 and 3, and a minimum 100-foot RMZ along type 4 streams have been retained to protect water quality, provide corridors for wildlife, and maintain habitat for fish and amphibians.
- Wetland Management Zones (WMZ) averaging 154 feet wide on a bog less than one acre in size and two forested wetlands each less than one acre in size.
- Wildlife tree and snag recruitment will be accomplished by retaining a minimum of 8 trees per acre, consisting of conifer and hardwood species.
- Road locations were concentrated on stable ridge top locations.
- Harvesting approximately 3.4 of surveyed but unoccupied Reclassified Marbled Murrelet Habitat for public safety along the heavily traveled E-9000.
- There are several recreation trails within and adjacent to Units 1, 2, and 3. These trails will be closed during active logging and re-opened when harvest is complete.

Proponent: Department of Natural Resources

Location of proposal: Sections 4 & 5, Township 16 North, Range 03 (West), W.M., Section 33, Township 17 North, Range 03 (West), W.M., approximately 4 miles by road, west of Littlerock WA, off the E-9000 road system in Thurston County, Washington.

Lead agency: Department of Natural Resources

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

☐ There is no comment period for this Mitigated DNS.

☒ This MDNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from April 8, 2010. Comments must be submitted by April 22, 2010.

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There is no agency SEPA appeal.